Finding an Article in SIRS Knowledge Source

SIRS is a good place to find articles on social issues, science, history, government, the arts and humanities in newspapers, magazines, and reference books. SIRS has especially strong coverage of current events-type issues.

1. Begin at the Library’s website: http://library.lanecc.edu/

2. Then click on the Articles/Databases tab:

3. Don’t search using the top blank. Instead, click on “Browse all databases A-Z”

4. Click on the letter “S”

5. Then click on SIRS Knowledge Source

There are two ways to search SIRS:

A) If you’re not sure what topic you want to research, you can click on the green “View all Issues” button on the right.

B) Or you can just search using the search box. You can search by Subject or Keyword. If one doesn’t work for you, try the other.

In SIRS, you can tell what kind of articles are by what folder they’re in. Click on the Newspapers folder for articles from newspapers. Click on the Magazines folder for articles from magazines. You may have to scroll down the page to see the link.

If you’re not sure how long an article is, click on the article’s title, then click on the “Print” icon on the left. It won’t print until you click on the print button once again, but it will tell you how many pages will print.